

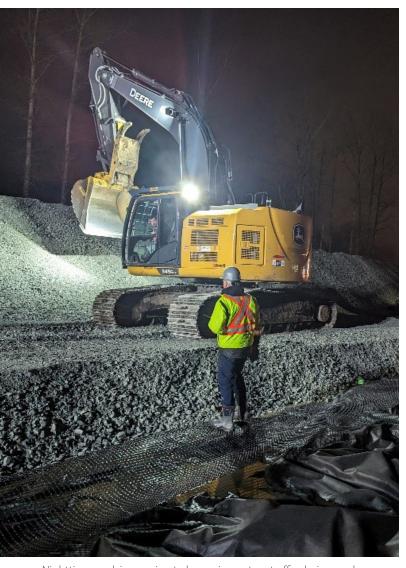


Fraser Valley Highway 1 Corridor Improvement Program

Program Update: August 2024

The Fraser Valley Highway 1 Corridor Improvement Program is improving safety, reliability and capacity between 216th Street in Langley through to Chilliwack. Highway improvements will meet the needs of a growing region, improve travel and transit services for people in the Fraser Valley and facilitate efficient goods movement.

This Program is on the **Traditional Territory of the Coast Salish Peoples;** including the Kwantlen, Matsqui, and Stó:lō Nations.



Nighttime work is ongoing to lessen impact on traffic during peak travel times. Visit **drivebc.ca** for the most up-to-date information.



Glover Road crossing opened to traffic at the end of May 2024. The new structure is wider and higher than the previous structure, and provides a safer crossing for pedestrians and cyclists.



Field investigations are underway along Highway 1 to understand soil conditions between Abbotsford and Chilliwack to help plan for future construction.



Spotlight on: Cassie Steele

Cassie worked as a carpenter on the Glover Road crossing. She is from B.C. and has been working in trades for over eight years with Dorosh Construction.

Cassie is passionate about her profession, and an inspiration because she loves learning and challenging herself. She wants other women who are considering going into trades to know that they too can be empowered, respected and thrive in this industry.

When asked what she finds most rewarding about her job, Cassie states:



One of my favorite things about [working in construction] is everything you do is so different and poses a new challenge; my problem-solving skills have grown so much."

Highway highlights: Focus on Traffic Safety

Keeping the public and workers safe during construction is a top priority for the Program.

This starts with a Site-Specific Safety Management Plan for each project, which identifies health and safety risks and strategies for preventing them.

Traffic management is an important part of this. Here are some measures we're taking to keep everyone safe:

- Site workers begin every shift with a discussion on potential health and safety hazards and how to mitigate them.
- Doing work at night to reduce distractions for drivers and the risk of incidents.

- Informing drivers about lane closures through electronic message boards on site, as well as through DriveBC and traffic radio stations.
- Where appropriate, using specially designed buffer or attenuator trucks to protect workers from moving vehicles and absorb the impact in the event of a vehicle collision and using Automatic Flagger Assistance Devices (AFAD) for traffic control.
- Adding extra speed enforcement to help make sure that drivers are slowing down through construction zones.

Did you know?

Areas where workers are working close by to moving vehicles are called "cone zones." Remember, a cone zone starts at the first sign or traffic control device that you can see and goes to the last one.

Watch this video from Cone Zone BC to learn more about how to drive safely through a work zone: roadsafetyatwork. ca/resource/video/howroadside-workers-want-vouto-drive-in-a-work-zone/





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